# FOR MYSORE STATE

Irrigation Development (1950) Department.

MS SERIES

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Dated 27/3/50

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[Despatch Abstract.]

For Mysore State (Copy)

A BRIEF NOTE ON THE SAFETY MATCH INDUSTRY IN MADRAS.

Safety matches are being manufactured in this Province by the Western Indian Match Co., in their factory at Ennore near Madras, and by about 150 small-scale match factories of which about 120 are located in and around Sivakasi and Sattur in the Ramnad district. The estimated annual production of Wimcos is about 5½ million gross (boxes of 50's size each) while the production of all the other match factories in the province comes to about 4 million gross.

Some representations were received from the small-scale manufacturers of matches regarding the nature of help required by them. It was represented that a number of small-scale manufacturers had to close down their business in 1949 due to keen competition, from large-scale manufacturers and to lack of financial assistance. Enquiries however reveal that the closing down of some units was by no means an unusual phenomenon in 1949 but that in every month during 1948 also, some of the units were closed down. The closure of some of the units during every month is attributed to the incompetent management, inadequate financial resources and unsatisfactory marketing arrangements. Comparing the figures of production in the previous years it is found that the match industry as a whole flourished better in 1949 than in 1948.

The requests for assistance received from the representative organisations of the Match Industry relate mainly to:

(i) Reduction of excise duty on matches produced on cottage basis.

(ii) Restoration of Pre-war concessional rail-freight rate.

(iii) Special consideration in sales taxation for the products of cottage industries.

(iv) Facilities for securing the various essential chemicals. and

(v) Supply of soft wood required for the industry at rates lower than the rates at which they are now supplied to big factories from Government forests.

This Government recommended to the Government of India the grant of a higher rate of rebate to the small-scale match Industr Gove..... of India are, however, not agreeable to revise the existing tariff rate.

Most of the matters connected with the match industry like xcise duty, import of chemicals, railway freight are matters aying within the jurisdication of the Government of India. In rder that the Provincial Government might be in a position to ake necessary recommendations to the Government of India on atters connected with the match industry and also to acquaint hemselves with the needs and requirements of local manufacturers, t has been proposed to set up an advisory Board for match industry. he Advisory Board will consist of representatives of the manufacturers nd the Government. The Board will advise Government on the measures necessary for the development of the industry. Vigorous steps for rendering assistance to the industry will be taken up by the Government after the proposed Board is constituted and begins functioning.

M.S.J.

DEMAND NO.XXI INDUSTRIES - Rs.1,57,64,300.

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To reduce the allotment of Rs.1,57,64,300 for Industries by - Rs.100. (To discuss the failure of the Government to rehabilitate the Industries of the State particularly with reference to hand-loom Industry, Match Industry, Oil-mill Industry and plywood industry.

Pp.245-272 of the Detailed Budget Estimate.

Firka Development Dept. II.

Please see the notice of cut motion above.

The cut motion is proposed to be moved to discuss the alleged failure of the Government with reference to handloom Industry, Match Industry, Oil-mill Industry and Plywood Industrry.

A short note on the question of development of Match Industry in this province with which this Dept. is concerned is put up below.

This may be circulated to H.M.(R.D.) and H.M.(Ind.) for use during the discussion on the cut motion.

M.S.J. 10-3-50.

Copy of the note may be sent to H.M.(Ind.)
and file may be sent to me.

B.P.
10-3-50.

Firka DevelopmentDepartment.

To K.S.O.

Please see order in circulation overleaf. Submitted that a copy of the note has already been given to the P.A. to H.M.(Ind.) for use of the H.M. This may now be circulated to H.M.(R.D.).

To K.S.O.

Notes from above may be perused. The file may be kept pending till the official communication about the noting of budget under Demand XXI is received from M.L.Secretariat.

To K.S.O.

The budget under Demand XXI has since been noted by the Legislature on the 14th March 1950. The papers may now be recorded as G.O.Ms. for future reference.

G.O.Ms.No.237 R.D., dated 27-3-1950.

Budget for 1950-51 - Demand XXI - cut Motions - papers recorded.

Copy of U.O.Note No.8671/50-6 M.L.Secretariat of the Madras Legislature, dated 14th March 1950.

VOTING OF DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 1950-51.

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The Finance Department may be informed u.o. that the undermentioned Demands for Grants for the year 1950-51 were carried in the Madras Legilsative Assembly on the date noted against them:-

| DEMAND | AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATION. | AMOUNT REDUCED. | DATE. |
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| XXI - INDUSTRIES | 1,57,64,300 | Nil | 14-3-1950. |
| XVII - PUBLIC HEALTH | 97,67,100 | NIL | 14-3-1950 |

Copies of the above note may also be sent to all the other departments of the Secretariat and the Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.

/True copy/

M.N. Dharmalingam
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